



**Arizona Department of Health Services
Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs
Integrated Services Grant**



**ISG-Committee Status Update
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Priority Strategy(ies) and Status: For each Strategy the Committee is currently working on, identify the key actions completed or currently in process:

Goal 5. Develop a Cultural Competency Committee to support all the activities of the Statewide Integrated Service Task Force.

- Review membership

Objective 5.1. Support participation of traditionally under-represented families in decision-making, educational, and technical assistance activities.

- Develop a “data base” of community agencies/partners that engage under-represented families in their planning activities.
- Map out services being provided to CSHCN by geography, Medically Under Served Areas (MUSA) and Native American reservations.
- Quantify the extent of services provided and the participation of under-represented families in community agency planning activities.
- Implementation of a questionnaire/survey to evaluate the services and barriers by community agencies and individuals.
- Develop trust with the community agencies.

Objective 5.2. Develop Parent-Youth Leadership training materials that are culturally and linguistically appropriate for racial/ethnically diverse populations with special health care needs.

- Encourage representation on the Cultural Competency Committee from the Parent Action Council, Transition Team, and the Education Committee.
- Identity a small group to review Parent-Youth Leadership training.
- Review current web based training module for cultural appropriateness.

Objective 5.3. Recruit additional members for the community development teams that are representative of the economic, racial, and ethnic diversity of the communities they serve.

- Utilize grant dollars to facilitate family members’ participation in activities, i.e., cover costs of child care and transportation.
- Develop incentives to encourage individuals to participate in committees, i.e., free give aways, raffles, bus passes, etc.

Opportunities for integration:

- ADHS Office of Minority Health
- Faith-based organizations
- Community Development Unit and OCSHCN Parent Leaders

Barriers identified:**Support needed:****Recommendations to the Task Force:**